Request For Continued Examination (RCE) Transmittal		
Address to: Mail Stop RCE Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450	Application Number	10/657,524
	Filing Date	September 8, 2003
	First Named Inventor	Daryl S. Meredith
	Art Unit	3724
	Examiner Name	C. Dexter
	Attorney Docket Number	TN-3481

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FEE TRANSMITTAL for FY 2005	Application Number	10/657,524
	Filing Date	September 8, 2003
☐ Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27	First Named Inventor	Daryl S. Meredith
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Application Type	FILING FEES Fee ($)	Small Entity Fee($)	SEARCH FEES Fee($)	Small Entity Fee($)	EXAMINATION FEES Fee($)	Small Entity Fee($)	Fees Paid ($)
Utility	300	150	500	250	200	100	____
Design	200	100	100	50	130	65	____
Plant	200	100	300	150	160	80	____
Reissue	300	150	500	250	160	80	____
Provisional	200	100	0	0	0	0	____

2. EXCESS CLAIM FEES

Fee Description	Fee ($)	Small Entity Fee ($)
Each claim over 20 (including Reissues)	50	25
Each independent claim over 3 (including Reissues)	200	100
Multiple dependent claims	360	180

Total Claims	Extra Claims	Fee($)	Fee Paid ($)
____ -20 or HP=	____ x	____ =	____

HP = highest number of total claims paid for, if greater than 20.

Indep. Claims	Extra Claims	Fee($)	Fee Paid ($)
____ - 3 or HP=	____ x	____ =	____

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Multiple Dependent Claims

Fee ($)	Fee Paid ($)
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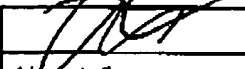| Total Sheets	Extra Sheets	Number of each additional 50 or fraction thereof	Fee ($)	Fee Paid ($)
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